(Retirement) House Resolution No. 3010

Whereas, as the 2004-2005 school year draws to a close, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to applaud the career achievements of those individuals who are retiring from the field of education; and

Whereas, the Spokane R-VII School District is losing a valuable member of its faculty on May 16, 2005, with the retirement of Lee Ann Cook who has devoted several years of her life to the education of this state's young citizens through tireless endeavors as an educator; and

Whereas, Lee Ann Cook has taught for twenty-seven years at Highlandville Elementary School, where she is held in high esteem as an educator who demonstrates considerable competence and remarkable degrees of compassion and understanding; and

Whereas, during her tenure at Highlandville Elementary School, Lee Ann Cook served one year as a sixth-grade teacher prior to assuming her responsibilities as a first-grade teacher twenty-six years ago; helped teachers design web pages; worked with students suffering from attention deficit disorder; and served seven years as a coordinator for the Missouri Tri-County Chapter of CHADD (Children and Adults with Attention-Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder), of which she started the Highlandville Charter; and

Whereas, Lee Ann Cook has watched her pupils grow, develop, and mature through the knowledge she has imparted to them both as a teacher and as a friend; and

Whereas, so many young Missourians have left the classrooms of Highlandville Elementary School fully prepared to face the challenges ahead as a result of the outstanding professional endeavors of Lee Ann Cook; and

Whereas, Lee Ann Cook leaves her duties and responsibilities at Highlandville Elementary School with tremendous satisfaction that she has always given more than one hundred percent to assure each student the best education possible:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join the Spokane R-VII School District in expressing appreciation for the unparalleled service that Lee Ann Cook has rendered to Missouri's children and in wishing her the long, fruitful, and enjoyable retirement that she so justly deserves; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Lee Ann Cook, as a measure of our esteem for her.

Offered by	
•	Representative Raymond Weter
	District No. 142

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 3010, adopted May 9, 2005.